

# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

## UNSAFE HEARING BOARD

OCTOBER 20, 2015

5:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The City of Rushville Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Ron Jarman, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

**PUBLIC HEARING: 415 West 9<sup>th</sup> Street** - Mayor Pavey opened the public hearing. Chief Jenkins stated that this is the property across from the park. There is an issue with the roof. Jenkins said he has given proper notice. There has been no response from the owners. The property is vacant and has been moved to an unsafe status. The green card was signed on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, but no one was present at the hearing. A neighbor informed the Chief that people were at the residence and stated someone was trying to sell them the property. The title search shows Rockport Partners as the owner. The neighbor said the property is full of mold due to the damaged roof. Williams made a motion to approve the Chief's order. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Newhouse recommended that Chief Jenkins notify the owners by certified mail that the property will be demolished and any and all personal items need to be removed by said date.

**MINUTES:** Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2015 meeting as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Pavey said he received a report that upon inspection of a roof on one of the downtown properties it was discovered that an adjacent property's roofing is torn away causing an issue with their roof. Pavey asked Chief Jenkins to begin taking a look at roofs downtown and to notify the property owners by certified mail if there are issues.

Pavey also asked Chief Jenkins to start documenting abandon properties.

**CITIZEN'S CONCERNS/COMMENTS:** None.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **1226 S Baker Street** – The owner is still non-compliant. We are waiting on a court date.
2. **415 W 9<sup>th</sup> Street** –Discussed.
3. **821 N George** – Jenkins said this property is being assessed through the BEP as a possible replacement for another property.

4. **129-141 West 1<sup>st</sup> Street** – This is the old Durbin. Jenkins said he sent a letter to the owner requesting to have a discussion before he orders an engineering report. Jenkins said they are still dealing with issues from 2007. He said he thinks water is getting into the basement. Jenkins said he asked the owner to contact him by October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before the Board; McGowan made a motion to adjourn. Williams seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.